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SARAH FIELDING,
DAUGHTER OF EDWARD FIELDING,
OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

From the lid of a snuff-box, bearing the initials "E. F." and the date "1716." This box has been the property of the Davis family, of Prince William county, Virginia, and of Kentucky (descendants of Sarah Fielding), and is now in the possession of Dr. J. L. Miller, also a descendant of the subject of the miniature.

The dress was satin, with white skirt, green stomacher and plain colored bodice; the headdress of white and green, and the flower held in the hand is blue, as are the velvet cushions of the chair.

Recorded October 3, 1771. This is the last will and testament of the subscriber, John Morton Jordan, of Annapolis in Maryland, of London, Merchant." Had estates in Maryland, Virginia, England and Island of Antigua, also property in ships. Mentions young son John Nesbett Jordan, wife Dorothy, half-brothers Joseph Morton and George Morton, half-sisters Mrs. Mary Sydenham, widow of Jonathan Sydenham, and Frances Meriwether. Following from Chancery papers in Williamsburg: John Morton Jordan was partner of Robert Maxwell, Merchant of London, 1766-1769. He visited Maryland in 1769 and was agent for Lord Baltimore. He died July 23, 1771, in Bermuda. He married Dorothy dau. Nesbit Darby (and Elizabeth his wife age 65 in 1799).

No date. Joseph Morton. Richmond Co. O. B. 10, 375.

Alvin Mountjoy guardian Joseph Morton. Comment. If this had the date it would be valuable.

1780, May 15th. William Jordan Morton. Montgomery Co., Ky.

Enters 961 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres of land joining George Paynes 333 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres (1,333 $\frac{2}{3}$) on the waters of Hinksons Run, a branch of the South Fork of Licking beginning at the north corner of Paynes. (This item furnished by James M. Bourne.) Comment. How did he get this land and what became of it? Was it for military service? Look up the land grants at Frankfort, Ky.

No date. William J. Morton. Richmond Co. O. B. 20, 34.

Case Robert Mitchell vs. Wm. J. Morton. Comment. This is the only item I have ever found in Virginia records of Wm. Jordan Morton, who was evidently given the name of Joseph Morton's step-father.

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FIELDING AND DAVIS NOTES.

THE FIELDING FAMILY OF NORTHUMBELAND COUNTY.

Contributed by Dr. J. L. MILLER, Thomas, W. Va.

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Original copy of the above will made November 17, 1675, and original copy of the above deed of sale, made January 15, 1696, are now owned by Dr. Jos. Lyon Miller, Thomas, W. Va., great-great great-great-great-grandson of the said Ambrose Fielding.

WILL OF EDWARD FIELDING, 1690.

Abstract from the will of Edward Fielding, Merchant, Bristol, England. Dated February 9, 1690. Copy made 1696.

"In the name of God, Amen. I, Edward Feilding, Esqr., one of the Aldermen of the city of Bristoll, &c., &c.," disposes of a large estate as follows:

1st. To wife Elizabeth Feilding £200, lawful money; "all my plate, jewells, linnen, woollen, brass, pewter, & household goods remaining in

my dwelling house in the sd. city of Bristoll or elsewhere where I shall be dwelling at the time of my death, excepting such plate or other things as are hereinafter given." Also gives her the residue of his ready gold & silver money, books of accounts, & money derived from the sale of his merchandise stored in his "houses, shopps, warehouses, lofts, cellars, yards, pavements, &c.," after all debts, legacies & funeral charges are payed. Also gives her his house called Arnold, with two tenements adjoining, with all gardens, orchards, closes, lands & heriditaments belonging to it, situated in the parish of Lacock, in co. of Wiltes.

2nd. To daughter Elizabeth Fielding £1300 in money; his farm called Cardit Hall, with all lands, closes, &c., belonging to it, in the parish of Landegge, in Co. Monmouth. Also, one of his silver flagons, "& all the plate given her by friends, usually called her plate."

3rd. To daughters Susanna £700, Martha £1000, Mary £800, & Anna £800, at their coming of age, or before if they marry with the consent of their mother and sisters. Until their legacies are paid they are to have £20 a year for "dyet & clothes" as long as they live with their mother and are obedient to her. And Susanna is to have a life annuity of £40, paid from the rent of all his lands at Eniterne, in Landegge parish, Co. Monmouth (excepting from Cardit Hall), and from rent of his lands & tenements in the city of Bristol.

4th. To his only son, William, he gives an annuity of £40 for ten years following his father's death, derived from the rents mentioned above.

5th. Gives to his son William all lands, woods, underwoods, tenements, &c., in Enitern & Landegge, Co. Monmouth (except Cardit Hall), for 99 years, and entails these lands upon the eldest son of each generation following William.

6th. Wants all money left from discharging his debts, &c., derived from sale of his personal estate & ten years rental of his real estate, divided at the end of the ten years equally between his daughters.

7th. Gives to sister Margaret Fryer, wid., £40 & to her son Edward Fryer, £50. To servant Edward Winter, £5. To the churchwardens & overseers of the poore of the parish of St. Peters in Bristol, £20, the profit of which to be divided yearly between two poor housekeepers who do not receive alms at the feast of St. Thomas. Also gives to the same £3 to be distributed in bread to the poor within one month after his death.

8th. Gives son William all lands, tenements, &c., in Bristol.

9th. "And I give & devise to my nephew Edward Ffielding, son of my late brother Ambrose Ffielding, Dec'd, & to his heirs forever five hundred acres of ground, part of my lands & plantation at Wiccomocco in the county of Northumberland in the Country of Virginia beyond the seas, the same five hundred acres to be measured & layed out in such part of my said plantation as such p'son or p'sons shall be thereunto authorized by my said executors shall direct and appoint."

10th. Directs all the rest of the plantation at Wicocomoco (1,200 acres) and all his lands elsewhere in Virginia be sold & payed on his debts & legacies. (No doubt the 1,200 acres remaining at Wicocomoco was the plantation sold to "King" Carter & mentioned in his will in 1728 as "Fielding's Place.")

11. Gives to brother Doctor Robert Fielding & his wife; to brother-in-law Manning & his wife & to the rest of his sisters one guinea each to buy a ring to be worn in his memory.

12. And over & above the legacies already given he gives his wife "Fourty peeces of broad gold." Son William two pieces, daughters Elizabeth, Susanna & Martha each two pieces, and Mary & Anna one piece each—all of which "peeces of broad gold were part of the gold I rec'd of my wife's marriage portion."

Appoints wife Elizabeth Fielding & daughter Elizabeth Fielding his executrix, for which they are to receive £100 each. If they should die within ten years following his death he appoints to fill their place, his brother "Robert Ffielding Doctor in physic," brother-in-law Giles Manning & good friends William Player, Esq're, Mr. Edward Ettrick & Mr. Thomas Oldfield, who are to have £5 each for their services.

Signed & sealed Feb. 9, 1690, in presence of Thomas Earle, Thomas Day, Hugh Watermann & Samuel Rogers. Recorded in 1695.

Among the Fielding papers now in my possession is a letter of attorney to Thomas Hobson, Sr., from Edward Fielding, to look after his part of the Virginia estate. It is dated September 13, 1684—two or three years before he came to Virginia to live on his plantation. The wax impression of his seal attached to this paper is in fine condition, shows a lion rampant ppr. langued gu, on a gold field. This would seem to indicate that the Bristol Fieldings were not of the same family as Mrs. Frances Fielding Lewis, of Warner Hall, Virginia, whose arms were "arg. on a fess az, three losenges or." They were, possibly, of a younger branch of the Denbigh Fieldings. On the back of the letter is Thos. Hobson, Sr.'s, signature, and a good impression of his seal, showing a ship under full sail.

I also have a Culpeper and Fairfax grant to John Harris and Edward Fielding for 850 acres on Wicocomoco river, dated September 30, 1695. In running this land mention is made of "ye Mill Dam of ye sd. Fielding." I also have a copy of the survey for "Mr. John Harris and Mr. Edw'd Fielding, of Lee P'ish, for 850 acres of land," by John Haynie.

So, from the papers I now have, it is shown that Edw'd Fielding (Jr's) plantation, on which he came to live about 1687-8, consisted of at least 1,250 acres by 1696.

325 acres from his father in 1675.

500 " " " Uncle Edward in 1695.

425 " " Lady Culpeper & Lord Fairfax, 1695.

I should like to know name of Edward Fielding's wife; how long

they each lived ; also a copy of, or abstract from, his will. The snuff box I have is dated 1716, so he must have died after that year. While our family have always considered the miniature on the lid a portrait of Sarah Fielding Davis, I suspect it is in reality a portrait of her mother, Edward Fielding's wife.

It will be seen that Edward Fielding, who came to Virginia to live, was a nephew of the great Bristol merchant, and son of Ambrose Fielding, who was a justice of the peace for Northumberland in 1670, so that he, Ambrose, must have come to Virginia soon after his brother Richard's death, in 1666. Edward F., of Bristol, was probably the elder of the four brothers—Edward, Richard, Ambrose and Dr. Robert—which may partly account for his greater wealth through the old laws of entail.

According to our family chronicles, &c., the Davis family were yeomen farmers of Gloucestershire, England, and there may have been an acquaintance between the families before John Davis and Sarah Fielding were married in Northumberland county, Virginia.

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THE BROOKE FAMILY OF VIRGINIA.

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Major Brooke was made brevet lieutenant-colonel of the 4th Infantry "for gallant conduct in the defence of Fort Erie" 15th August, 1814, and brevet colonel for "distinguished and meritorious conduct in the sortie from Fort Erie" 17th September, 1814. See Appendix "List of Officers of the U. S. Army on whom Brevets were Conferred by the President for 'Gallant Actions or Meritorious Conduct' during the War with Great Britain. Compilation of Army Registers from 1815 to 1837." Full colonel 5th Infantry 15th July, 1831. He was made brigadier-general, brevet, 17th September, 1824. Was in command of Cantonment Brooke for a number of years. In 1834 was in command at Fort Howard, Green Bay, Wisconsin (then Northwest Territory); at New Orleans in the Mexican War; and died at San Antonio, Texas, where a monument was raised over him by the soldiers of his command. (Data not accessible for his promotion to major-general, but that was his rank at his death.) His wife was Lucy Thomas, of Duxbury, Mass., and he was the son of Richard Brooke, of Mantapike, and of his wife, Maria Mercer. It may be added that "Fort Brooke," at Tampa, Florida, was named in honor of General George Mercer Brooke. Fort "Frank Brooke," in Taylor county, Florida, was named in honor of Lieutenant Francis John Brooke, graduate of West Point, and killed in the battle of Lake Okeechobee (Seminole Indian war), Christmas day, 1837, Colonel Zachary Taylor commanding. He was the son of John Taliaferro